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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract by rewriting same to read as follows.

--A sampling frequency conversion apparatus which easily controls the phase difference (time difference) between the

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Dear Mr. Fujii:

We have now prepared and filed a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application and enclosed please find a copy of that Preliminary Amendment.

As you will note, we have amended the original claims to more clearly and definitely claim the invention.

We shall, of course, immediately advise you as soon as we receive any communication in regard to the above-identified application.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

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